Mr. M. H. Oldham has from a small plat of ground made and sold 7 barrels of kraut at \$5 a barrel, 843 pounds of cabbage for 8.43 and has two barrels of kruat left.-The Trojan.

Mr. B. K. Terry, of Leaksville, was in town last Friday. He reported the tobacco crop of his section as being damaged very materially by the hot weather, The prospect for a fine crop a few weeks ago was all that could be desired .- Webster's Weekly.

Some newspapers are coming to the front with brag cotton-pickers, but we haven't heard of anybody yet that could match our champion, Thomas McLean. On the 16th inst, Tom picked 300 pounds by noon, in Capt. J. T John's field .-Laurinburg Exchange.

G. Bailey is ahead on pumpkin raising. He has about ten hills, and on the alnes from these there are 140 pumpkins. Mr. Bailey has a small garden this year, and says he has sold about \$25 worth of vegetables from it. The pumpkins are very near like large canteloupes .-Durham Sun.

We desire to thank Mr. D. J. Campbell for a jug of the finest home-made syrup we have seen in a long time. Mr. Campbell has made quite a lot of it from cane he grew on his own farm a few miles from town. That is the right way for farmers to do-make as near verything they need on their farm as they can.-Aberdeen Telegram.

Judging from the unprecedented quantity of fertilizers which is being sold, there will be an enormous crop of wheat out out this year by the farmers in this section. The present price of wheat, which is due in toto to the failure in foreign countries, serves as an inducement, and if next year is favorable a big crop will be the result.-Davidson Dispatch.

From the best information we can get Cherokee and Clay counties have shown nearly 10,000 sheep this year up to date. Cherokee and Clay could have raised 100,000 sheep for the market just as easy. Sheep in this county can be kept for ten menths in the year on our mountain ranges. February and March are the only two months in the year they have to be fed.-Murphy Bulletin.

Wynne," proved to be one of the most successful serials The Century has printed, has written another novel that will appear in this magazine during the coming year. It is called "The Adventures of Francois: Foundling, Adventurer, Juggler, Fencing-Master, and Servant during the French Revolution." The scene of the story shifts from Paris to the provinces and back again, following the wanderings of the eccentric hero, who participates in many of the thrilling scenes of the Revolution. Andre Caslaigne, the French-American artist, will illustrate the novel.

FIELD PEA FORAGE.

To the Editor: The difficulty of curing ow pea vines deters many farmers from lanting a large crop. The following lan will be found to give best results, with least labor: Cut the vines early in the morning, the earlier the better; have roady a supply of poles, about ten feet long, leaving a few spurs to prevent settling. With an iron rod make holes about twenty feet apart, in which set the poles, and before night, make small stacks, not to exceed three feet in diameter. The stacks should be as high as convenient and well finished at the top so as to shed rain. When sufficiently cured, haul to the barn.

Try this plan and rely more upon the pea vine, which can be produced and housed at one-half the cost of corn fod-GEORGE ALLEN.

SOMETHING WONDERFUL. (Wilmington Messenger.)

Mr. Sol. Bear kindly sent the Messenger yesterday a couple of fine citrons that he raised at his summer cottage "Breezeland," on Wrightsville beach. The remarkable fact about the matter is that they were raised in the ocean sand, which, to all appearances. would not sprout peas. Mr. Bear raised quite a crop of citrons besides beans and other vegetables.

In this connection we recall the fact that we were recently invited by Mr. F. V. Snell to partake of a 38-inch watermelon which was raised on the beach at Ocean View. He secured quite a number of fine melons from a volunteer vine which came up just outside of his place of business. The melons were deliciously flavored.

ACREAGE CUT SHORT. (Trucker's and Planter's Journal.)

Within the past week we have received reports that the very warm, dry much to do with the high prices realized weather of the past four or more weeks -\$9 per quart at first, \$4.50 in mid has done material damage to the straw- January, then \$3.50, then \$1.50. The berry acreage and that many newly berries were strictly graded all through doubtful, from the present outlook, if with a stem, graded in paper lined "cup." the output next year will equal the crop | holding one-third of a quart, and three of last spring. Not only did the drought of these in a cardboard box, and deliverkill the new set plants, but it also pre- ed by hand to the dealer. It should bevented the formation of young plants on added that a successful Christmas growthe old vines, so that those who would er takes a year and a half to grow and yet fill in their fields have not the prepare his plants for winter bearing. plants. On every hand there is a demand for plants that cannot be met. It is rather an unusual condition and strongly emphasizes the importance of The Trees Know That Little Camsetting the first young plants that form just as soon as they are sufficiently matured for transplanting; then the young roots are quick and active and easily nourished. But the same plants set now will be made to live at all with the greatest difficulty. Mr. G. S. Reid, experimented with new and old formed plants, and while the old ones all promptly died, all the younger ones lived. It is due to this fact, coupled with the use of the Bemis transplanter, that Chadbourn escaped with about 125 acres of the finest fields of strawberry plants in the world. The machines were put to work in July just as the plants were sufficiently rooted for resetting; these set in water gave almost a perfect stand that grew right off together. The later use of the Planet Jr. harrow had a large crop save for the drought tooth cultivator which never exposes the and although Missouri hopes to have a subsoil and gives level culture with lose to-soil carried our fields through the drought without any apparent ill effect. We recommend the Bemis transplanter | will obtain higher prices for their goods and the Planet Jr. harrow tooth cultivator as the best safeguards in the culture of the strawberry plant and believe that their timely general use this season would have made our truckers thousands of dollars.

POULTRY NOTES FOR OCTOBER.

(Country Gentleman.)

This is the month to prepare for winer. It is not safe to defer longer the necessary repairs; therefore examine carefully your roofs and windows and make all weather-tight.

If you have not already done so, white wash your coops thoroughly, adding an onnce of carbolic acid to each pail of

Kerosene your roosts, upper and un-Gather road dust and fill dust-boxes, but he sure it is very dry. Also store up for winter use some dry sand.

As hens are moulting, cleaning coops may be put off until later. If your early-hatched pullets are matured enough to lay, coop them as you ntend them to remain for the winter, as it is not safe to move them after they

Weed out your poor or deformed cockerels, keeping only the perfect speci-

start laying; it will interrupt the egg

A few drops of tincture of iron in the drinking water will tone up your moult-

Prices are still good for spring roosers; take advantage of them. Advertise any stock you may have

As the fall comes on and the nights become cooler, there is a tendency to close windows, thinking thereby to keep | DR. KIRBY SMITH PRESENTED the flock more comfortable at night, This is a move in the direction of coddling and will prove disastrous later. All live stock need and can stand plenty of fresh air. Fowls are no exception to his general rule. Before the modern and recent movement of giving fowls better accommodation and care, their nature taught them to roost in trees until very late in the fall, and in fact until driven to shelter by extreme cold weather. They became, under such conditions, much hardier and better able to stand the steady cold of winter. Their nature has not changed in this regard, and even the treasured specimens for the fall and winter shows should not be deprived of plenty of cool, even cold, fresh air at night. Keep them free from drafts and no harm can come from open

A BEET EXPERIMENT.

A Probable New Profitable Crop for

Washington, D. C., Sept. 27.—Secre-

tary Wilson, of the Agricultural Departneut, has secured an order from the Post Office Department permitting the other people their tickets agents of the Agricultural Department to attach the Department frank to packages of sugar beet seed to be sent from growers to the Experiment Stations throughout the country for analysis. Last spring the Agricultural Department sent sugar beet seed to farmers to twenty-seven States. It is now the intention to test the beets grown from these seed in the various localities for succharine strength and it is desired that this work shall be conducted at the experiment stations. Under the arrangements made to-day with the Post-Office Department the officials at the experiment stations will be allowed to send postal franks to all farmers to whom they supplied seeds by the use of which they can send through the mails free of cost packages of beets not ex-

Returns have been received from some of the experimental growths, and Secretary Wilson said to-day that the results were such as to encourage the belief that sugar beets could be successfully grown in almost all the States of the Union. Contrary to his expectation the best reports have been received from the South rather than the North. Beets grown in the vicinity of Richmond, Va., give returns of from 13 to 18 per cent of saccharine matter and from the Pecos Valley in New Mexico from 18 to 22 per cent. In Europe an average of 13 per cent is considered large.

ceeding four pounds in weight.

It is Mr. Wilson's intention to dis ribue 12 tons of sugar beet seeds next spring. Hertofore all the seeds distributed by the Department have been procured in Europe. The growers in Utah have promised three tons this year, and it is expected that other localities in the United States will furnish part

of the supply necessary. FORCING STRAWBERRIES.

In an article on growing strawberries under glass in American Gardening, giving the methods of several New York and New Jersey growers, it is stated that Sharpless, Parker Eagle, Marshall, Belmont and Beder Wood have proved good varieties for the purpose. Usually they are grown to fruit about the first of March, but some growers have been able to put fruit on the market by Christmas, keeping up the supply until the first of May. This doubtless had set fields are almost ruined. It is the season, picked out when ripe, and

APPLE CROP SHORT.

paign Cider is Needed.

(Philadelphia Inquirer.)

currence in the Garden of Eden which necessitated the wearing of clothes down till to-day the apple has always had a strong hold on the world. There are no apples like American apples, and last pend the exceptions in that section til year the crop was of a phenomenal char- e. issuing mileage books, commutation acter. But the trees appear to have slightly exhausted themselves then, and reports from sections of the country where they are widely raised are to the effect that this will be a comparatively

poor year for the fruit. There is a large deficiency in New York and Michigan. Illinois would have better crop than usual, and the conditions in Ohio are most equal to those of last year, those parts of the country

Granville county ex-Confederates have postponed their re-union from Octobe 7th to October 14th. Great prepara tions are being made to make the occa

sion a success.

Finds That They Have Been Violating the Railroad Commission Act.

HAVE BEEN GIVING FREE PASSES ON THEIR LINES

THE INDICTMENTS WILL BE DRAWN UP BY SOLICITOR POU NEXT JANUARY.

FOR A HEINOUS CRIME

It is Also Intimated that, Somebod- is lin Trouble About the Whiskey that Has Been Carried and Drank Within the Penitentiary Enclosure.

"If you found your judge coming to his court on a free pass it would be your duty to present the man who gave it visited and are declared to be in good conto him. It would be the duty dition, both as to cleanmess and same tation, and are supplied with wholesome of the Legislature to impeach food. the judge. If the railroads just as well transport the jury here to sit in judgment on their cases."

-From Judge Robinson's charge to the Wake county grand jury Monday.

This is the first time in the history of North Carolina that a judge has dared give such a charge, and a mighty sen-

But the grand jury took him at his word and have, I understand, sent in a presentment against Certain railroads in the State, charging them with having the date of their suspension. This they Coast Line for Richmon shington violated the laws of North Carolina by giving free passes.

This also is the first time such a prethe law making free passes unlawful was enacted nearly seven years ago and has been constantly and openly violated ever since.

Now this law will be tested. The officers of two of the principal railroads of the State-the Seaboard and the Southern-have been presented, and at the next term of court (January) bills of indictment will be drawn against them by Solicitor Pou.

The names of many of the most prominent men of the State, of all political parties, are said to be on these pre sentments. Among them is the name of Gov. Russell.

In short all the men known to have ridden on a free pass since the enactment of this law will be called upon to tell where and how they got them.

Of course when the case comes up it will be a great legal battle. The rail roads will not willingly give up the free pass business-and will therefore employ able counsel to represent them in the fight. The case for the State will be managed by Solicitor Pou, of course, though he will probably have other able counsel to help him.

The Railroad Commission act clearly and undeniably makes the giving of free passes unlawful, and provides a penalty. Section 4 of that act prevents any discrimination "for equal service" and any violation of the section is made "an offence" punishable "upon conviction" with a fine of "not less than one thousand nor more than five thousand dollars for each and every offence." In short the act makes any railroad indict-

able for giving free passes. Section 25 of the same act permits commutation and mileage tickets, charity. etc., but permits free passes only to em-From the date of that unfortunate oc- ployes and officers of the roads and by exchange with connecting roads. There is a proviso to this section which permits Railway Commissioners to susbooks, etc.), but does not allow them to suspend the general prohibition in section 4.

Section 4 of the Railway Commission enormous area deficit-which means that, law is an exact copy of section 2 of the simply to meet each year's increasing re-Inter-State Commerce Commission act -xcept that the latter act does not make it an "offence," punishable "upon conviction" with fine, and for that reason, it has been decided that the Inter-State Commission could only declare the givng of free passes to other persons than cailway employes unlawful, but could not enforce the law, for the reason that the act failed to make a violation of the law an offence or provide a penalty. at 3:30 p. m.

Therefore, when the North Carolina Railway Commission act was written, a violation of the law was made an offence punishable by fine upon conviction, recently, and died soon thereafter, act is a copy if section 22 of the Inter- wounded by a boiler explosion near

this reason S licitor Pou and members bell is manager. presented for a crime second only to Robt. Hancock was elected president; January term,

I hear it intimated also that somebody 1,00 tons of sixty pound steel rails shiphas been presented for having within the ped to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley penitentiary enclosure spirituous liquors, Railroad Company, was lost in the not authorized by the physician for the Hatters coast on the morning of use of the hospital. This is clearly a September 21st. violation of law and not only the per- Capt. W. W. Carraway was on the toson who brings it, but, every overseer, bacco market last week with a largeguars or officer employed in or about The Captain was jolly as usual and the prison, who shall suffer it knowing- when his tobacco was sold on the ly to be brought in or sold, is guilty floor of the Kinston-Carolina as high of a misdemeanor.

Evidently there is trouble shead for somebody.

The grand jury completed its labors yesterday and made its report to the

This report says that during the term six presentments have been made. The jail, work-house and county home, were

It is recommended in the report that a phia, Boston, New York. guardian be appointed for Seth Jones. Schedule in effect Nov. 1st, 1896. can afford to give me a free of St. Mary's township, and that the following guardians renew their bonds: pass, they can afford to sell Chas. H. Anderson, M. D. Edwards, W. Atlanta Special" Pullman Vestibule. B. Fowler, D. D. Gill, Geo. E. Gill, A. for Henderson, Weldon, Petersburg, Rick Frank P. Williams.

> Commissioners' Salaries Will not be Paid if Russell Says Not.

Though the Attorney General has desided that Railroad Commissioners J. W. Wilson and S. Otho Wilson are entitled to the r salary while in actual possession of the office and discharging the duties Portsmouth, Norfolk and intermediate thereof, the State Treasurer and Audi- stations connects at Portsmouth with Bay tor have decided otherwise and so refuse | Line for Old Point and Baltimore with

for their maney ther were told that they M. railroad for Philadelphia and points could get it only up to September 24th, north; also at Weldon, which Atlantic accepted, but in doing so Maj. Wilson Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York iled a statement saying:

I do not waive my right to pay due me Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Ports sentment has ever been made, though since the 24th of September. I file mouth. the accust up to that time, to avoid controversy I collect the amount about which there is no dispute."

The Auditor says he will take no fur- for Southern Pines, Hamlet, Wilming ther action until the Messrs. Wilson file ton, Monroe, Charlotte, Lincourten bonds indemnifying Messrs, Caldwell She'ty, Chester, Clinton, Greenwood and Pearson. He declines to say wheth- Abbeville, Athens, Atlanta, Augusta, Go. er he will continue their salaries in that umbia, Macon, Montgomery, Mobile New event, but it is understood that he will Orleans Chattanooga, Nashville, Mem not, in deference to the Governor's phis and all points south and southwest wishes, issue any more warrants for sal- through Pullman Buffet sleepers and day aries until the matter in controversy is coaches Washington and Atlanta, con decided. As to Treasurer Worth he will necting directly at Union depot, Atlanta not pay the warrants, even if issued, if with diverging lines; also Pullman sleep the Governor tells him not to do so.

THE IMPENDING DEFICIENCY OF BREAD STUFFS.

Mr. C. Wood Davis, in October Forum.) When we reflect that, although the world's output of wheat in 1897 is several hundred million bushels less than requirements, acre-yields have been but little below an average; that an average yield from the acres now employed would be 275,000,000 bushels less than present needs; that the greatest crop ever grown would not equal present requirements; that requirments for wheat and rye progressively increase, year af- Plymouth, Washington, N. C., and east ter year, by more than 40,000,000 bushels; that not an acre has been added to the aggregate of the world's bread-bearing area since 1884; that while yearly increasing needs in the seventies implied average yearly additions of less than 2.800,000 acres, they now imply additions of more than 4,000,000 acres of wheat and rye per annum; that not in a single year since 1890 have additions to the acreage equalled the year's increased needs; that but for an "overaverage" production of wheat and ryc aggregating more than 2,300,000,000 mouth, Henderson, Weldon, Richmond bushels since 1881, and extraordinary exports from Russia of more than 1,300. New York and the east. 000,000 bushels,-because of declining unit consumption in Rus- No extra fare. sia,-the supplies of the importing nations would have aggregated some 3,600,000,000 bushels less in the last sixteen years; that the world can E. ST. JOHN, Vice-Pres. and Gen. M'r's expect no better than average acre-yields, H. W. B. GLOVER, Traffic Manager.

no matter what its necessities; that not | T. J. ANDERSON, Gen. Pass, Agt, even when the great valleys of North V. E. M'BEE, Gen. Supt. America were being developed did annu- re: WrtK entMub%ss5tid al additions of bread-bearing acres exceed two-thirds present increases of aunual requirements; and that an acroage deficit exists equal to the supply of as many "bread-enters" as have been added to the world's population in the last twelve years, we can begin to understand the present situation. We can also realize the nature of the task before the world in an effort to eliminate an quirements, it must annually add onehalf more acres than ever before,-and what is likely to be the situation, respecting supply and demand if the world should, as is by no means improbable, again harvest in succession, three such erons as those of 1879, 1880, and 1881,erops which gave acre-vields materially below that which now results in a defeit of one-fifth, or, possibly, one-fourth, the bread required.

Partland, Maine, Oct. 2-Neal Dow died

STATE NEWS

Mr. Gaston Clain, of Davie, fell in the court house corridor in an epileptic fir Section 25 of the State Commission Three men were killed and two

State Commission act; and the Inter-Cards are out for the marriage of Me, largewealt is to secure the restoration of State Commerce Commission, has uni-Samuel H. Wiley to Miss Beniah Bernformly held, is at least seven reported hardt, both of Salisbury, October 14th, cases, that these words prohibited any free passes except to railway employes City very much improved, but is not built, and his name, of course, was carrefree passes except to railway employes City very much improved, but is not

contents or give any information in re- Lodge of Oild Fellows when they donnt. Ord. The young Southerners, so their gard to their contents. But somehow it d last night \$25 for the purpose of eader declares, are not netward by any not only leaked out that the railroads ble to buy books to attend the graded have been presented for the free-pass inischool.—Goldsboro Argus.

**Sectional prejudice, but narrely by a delive to make the inscription on the structure as lasting as the bridge complete.

rape—his relation with insane female pa- D. M. Stanton, secretary and treasurer; tients at the State penitentiary. This S. W. Hancock attorney. A dividend presentment will also come up at the of one per cent, payable October 15th, clation Mr. Davis afterward here to the

The Greensboro Record says that

as 421/2, he certainly enjoyed it.-Kin-



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TRAINS LEAVE RALEIGH.

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THERE OUGHT TO BE A WAY,

(Washington Post.)

A young girl who claims Augusta, Ga., as her birthplace, tells me that she and The presentments made yesterday were Mr. H. A. Foote has sold the Car. of the men responsible for the famous scaled up and, of course, secret. For thege Blade to the Blade Publishing work. Afterward, I don't know by whose Company, of which Mr. John B. Camp. order, and the Secretary of War's of the grand jury refused to discuss their That was a gracious act of Neuss mine should be, and municiping the recquity, but Dr. Kirby Smith has been At a meeting of the directors of the and accurate for historical purposes. I

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